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SUBJECT: EIGHTH KOREA-U.S. COMMERCE MINISTERS MEETING

REF: TOKYO 12473

1. MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS INDICATED TO COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR THAT MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY, ZENKO SUZUKI, WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT IF SECRETARY KREPS COULD CALL ON HIM DURING HER VISIT TO TOKYO. THIS PARTLY REFLECTS A STRONG RECOMMENDATION FOR SUCH AN APPOINTMENT FROM THE JAPANESE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. FONMIN OFFICIAL GAVE ASSURANCES THAT APPOINTMENT WOULD BE CONSIDERED COURTESY CALL AND, WHILE ADMITTING THAT FISHERIES PROBLEMS MIGHT BE RAISED, NOTED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO REPEAT NO QTE NEGOTIATIONS UNQTE.

2. EMBOFF POINTED OUT SHORT DURATION OF SECRETARY'S STAY, ALREADY EXTENSIVE SCHEDULE, AND NEED FOR FLEXIBILITY THE AFTERNOON OF TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, IN LIGHT OF UNCERTAIN TIMING OF SECRETARY'S CALL ON PRIME MINISTER. AGREED NEVERTHELESS TO CONVEY REQUEST TO WASHINGTON ON BASIS OF FOLLOWING ILLUSTRATIVE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SCHEDULE (UNNECESSARY DETAILS OMITTED):

1435 - DEPART OKURA HOTEL.

1445 - ARRIVE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY; COURTESY CALL ON MINISTER SUZUKI. 1515 - DEPART MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY.

1530 - ARRIVE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE; COURTESY CALL ON PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA.

1550 - DEPART PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE.

1600 - ARRIVE AMERICAN EMBASSY FOR OPEN PRESS CON-FERENCE.

- 3. EMBASSY RECOGNIZES FURTHER DEMANDS ON SECRETARY'S LIMITED TIME CREATED BY THIS PROPOSAL. IN VIEW OF IMPORTANCE OF FISHERIES ISSUES TO JAPAN, HOWEVER, AS WELL AS INFLUENCE OF SUZUKI WITHIN GOJ, BELIEVE IT HIGHLY DESIRABLE THAT SECRETARY ACCEDE TO REQUEST IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.
- 4. ACTION REQUESTED: APPRECIATE EARLY DECISION SINCE FOREIGN MINISTRY WISHES TO SCHEDULE CALL ON PRIME MINISTER FOLLOWING OTHER MINISTERIAL CALLS. MANSFIELD

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